at which the passenger is enplaned prior to departure from the U.S.

- (2) The carrier may collect the PFC either at the time the ticket is issued or at the time the passenger is last enplaned prior to departure from the U.S. The carrier may vary the method of collection among its flights.
- (3) The carrier shall provide a written record to the passenger that a PFC has been collected. Such a record shall appear on or with the air travel ticket and shall include the same information as required by §158.45(b), but need not be preprinted on the ticket stock.
- (4) The carrier shall collect the PFC based upon the itinerary at the time of issuance. Any changes in itinerary that are initiated by a passenger and that require an adjustment of the amount paid by the passenger are subject to collection or refund of the PFC as appropriate.
- (d) With respect to a flight on which the air carrier or foreign air carrier chooses to collect the PFC at the time the air travel ticket is issued—
- (1) The carrier and its agents shall collect the required PFC on tickets issued on or after the charge effective date.
- (2) The carrier is not required to collect PFC's at the time of enplanement for tickets sold by other air carriers or foreign air carriers or their agents.
- (e) With respect to a flight on which the air carrier or foreign air carrier chooses to collect the PFC at the time of enplanement, the carrier shall examine the air travel ticket of each passenger enplaning at the airport on and after the charge effective date and shall collect the PFC from any passenger whose air travel ticket does not include a written record indicating that the PFC was collected at the time of issuance.
- (f) Collected PFC's shall be distributed as noted on the written record provided to the passenger.
- (g) Collecting carriers shall be responsible for all funds from time of collection to remittance.
- (h) Collecting carriers and their agents shall stop collecting the PFC on the charge expiration date stated in a

notice from the public agency, or as required by the Administrator.

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§158.49 Handling of PFC's.

- (a) Collecting carriers shall establish and maintain a financial management system to account for PFC's in accordance with the Department of Transportation's Uniform System of Accounts and Reports (14 CFR part 241). For carriers not subject to 14 CFR part 241, such carriers shall establish and maintain an accounts payable system to handle PFC revenue with subaccounts for each public agency to which such carrier remits PFC revenue.
- (b) PFC revenue must be accounted for separately by collecting carriers, but the revenue may be commingled with the carrier's other sources of revenue. The PFC revenue is to be regarded as trust funds held by collecting carriers as agents, for the beneficial interest of the public agencies imposing PFC's. All PFC revenue collected and held by the carriers are property in which the carriers hold only a possessory interest and not an equitable interest.
- (c) Each collecting carrier shall be required to disclose the existence and amount of funds regarded as trust funds in financial statements.

§158.51 Remittance of PFC's.

Passenger facility charges collected by carriers shall be remitted to the public agency on a monthly basis. PFC revenue recorded in the accounting system of the carrier, as set forth in §158.49 of this part, shall be remitted to the public agency no later than the last day of the following calendar month (or if that date falls on a weekend or holiday, the first business day thereafter).

§158.53 Collection compensation.

As compensation for collecting, handling and remitting the PFC revenue, the collecting air carrier shall be entitled to:

(a) Retain \$0.12 of each PFC remitted on or before June 28, 1994. Thereafter, air carriers shall be entitled to \$0.08 of each PFC remitted; and

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(b) Any interest or other investment return earned on PFC revenue between the time of collection and remittance to the public agency.

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Subpart D—Reporting, Recordkeeping and Audits

§158.61 General.

This subpart contains the requirements for reporting, recordkeeping and auditing of accounts maintained by collecting carriers and by public agencies.

§158.63 Reporting requirements: Public agency.

(a) The public agency shall provide quarterly reports to carriers collecting PFC's for the public agency with a copy to the appropriate FAA Airports office. The quarterly report shall include PFC revenue received from collecting carriers, interest earned, and expenditures for the quarter; cumulative PFC revenue received, interest earned, expenditures, and the amount committed for use on currently approved projects, including the quarter; and the current project schedule.

(b) The report shall be provided on or before the last day of the calendar month following the calendar quarter or other period agreed by the public agency and collecting carrier.

(c) For airports enplaning 0.25 percent or more of the total annual enplanements in the U.S. for the prior calendar year as determined by the Administrator, the public agency must provide the FAA, by August 1 of each year, an estimate of PFC revenue to be collected for each such airport in the ensuing fiscal year.

§158.65 Reporting requirement: Collecting carrier.

Each carrier collecting PFC's for a public agency shall file quarterly reports to the public agency unless otherwise agreed by the collecting carrier and public agency, providing an accounting of funds collected and funds remitted.

(a) Unless otherwise agreed by the collecting carrier and public agency,

reports shall state the collecting carrier and airport involved, the total PFC revenue collected, the total amount of PFC revenue refunded to passengers, and the amount of collected revenue withheld by the collecting carrier for reimbursement of expenses in accordance with §158.53 of this part. The report shall include the dates and amounts of each remittance for the quarter.

(b) The report shall be filed on or before the last day of the calendar month following the calendar quarter or other period agreed by the collecting carrier and public agency for which funds were collected.

§158.67 Recordkeeping and auditing: Public agency.

(a) Each public agency shall keep any unliquidated PFC revenue remitted to it by collecting carriers on deposit in an interest bearing account or in other interest bearing instruments used by the public agency's airport capital fund. Interest earned on such PFC revenue shall be used, in addition to the principal, to pay the allowable costs of PFC-funded projects. PFC revenue may only be commingled with other public agency airport capital funds in deposits or interest bearing instruments.

(b) Each public agency shall establish and maintain for each approved application a separate accounting record. The accounting record shall identify the PFC revenue received from the collecting carriers, interest earned on such revenue, the amounts used on each project, and the amount reserved for currently approved projects.

(c) At least annually during the period the PFC is collected, held or used, each public agency shall provide for an audit of its PFC account. The audit shall be performed by an accredited independent public accountant and may be of limited scope. The accountant shall express an opinion of the fairness and reasonableness of the public agency's procedures for receiving, holding, and using PFC revenue. The accountant shall also express an opinion on whether the quarterly report required under §158.63 fairly represents the net transactions within the PFC account. The audit may be—